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school children in Wisconsin and offers to buy live cats from high school students at "50 per each."

We published this letter and wrote our editorial on it to alert cat owners both to the immediate dangers to their pets and to the insidious attack upon our humanitarian and American ideals.

We have received many letters commending us for this exposure of a particularly unsavory aspect of the traffic in laboratory animals. Some of our other kind-hearted readers have expressed the opinion that it was a mistake to print this horrifying letter in detail. We respect that opinion, but feel that the matter had to be brought, despite its ugliness, to the attention of the cat world.

Next month we shall publish a number of pertinent letters on both sides.

### WISDOM AND CATS

"The cat for its thoughts."

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lous, or even self-insulting. Through lack of education or lack of association with non-human life it becomes only too easy to assume that our human methods of analyzing situations and controlling our environment are the right ones and the only intelligent ones.

Yet, in one of man's earliest civilizations the value of the cat as a thinking creature was recognized, even as we ailurophiles recognize it today.

Lest, however, we be accused of being influenced by our love of the cat into seeing virtue where there is none, let us ask ourselves how an unbiased outsider might compare our mental maturity to that of the cat.

We are told by astronomers that in our Galaxy there are millions of inhabited planets, many of them billions of years older than Earth. We must take it for granted then, that whereas we are on the threshold of space travel, there are other beings who are already at that stage, and who some day soon (in the cosmic sense) will land on our world.

Let us place ourselves in the role of such a traveler, assigned to make contact with the wisest form of life on the planets he explores.

As the representative of a mature race, we can be sure that he will not confuse technology with intelligence nor power with wisdom. Nor will he measure the greatness of a species by the number of its

nuclear bombs or the loudness of its professions of peace.

No, as was said long ago, "By their fruits, ye shall know them," and it is by our actions that we must be judged.

Who watching the chaotic efforts of the bulk of the human race to better itself at the expense of its fellows—or observing our slums, or adding up the carnage on our highways—and comparing it to the ordered existence of the cat would want to rate ours as higher?

Or, who in a position to see the subjugation of men in our totalitarian systems—governmental, business, or religious—would rate our so-called freedom as superior to the inborn independence of the cat?

Lastly, to those priding themselves on being creatures of reason rather than instinct—who, watching our reckless homeward migrations at the holiday season, or our blind suicidal marches toward war, or our fumbling with such social cancers as poverty and crime could believe for one moment that reason has any part in controlling our activities?

So, if the choice were to be made between man and the cat as to which best meets the first step toward wisdom—*know thyself*—one has the humble realization that our visitor from space might well say what was said six thousand years ago when man first began to ponder the world about him: "The cat for its thoughts."



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### IDENTIFIED

Dear Editors:

What a thrill it was to see our darling Dolly once again on the pages of CATS, even though he had to appear nameless on the Christmas card page in December's issue. It has taught us a lesson about being certain that our name is inscribed on the back of photos.

This little fellow was the most cooperative camera subject of all our cats. He stayed wherever we placed him and if we had to move him an inch or so one way or another to get a better shot, he'd stay put. More than once he fell asleep right in the middle of a pose, impossible to keep his eyes open any longer during our interminable quests for the "perfect" picture.

Sad to say, we don't know where Dolly is today. He and all the kits in his litter were sold for one dollar each to people who came in answer to our ad in the newspaper. I hadn't planned on letting him go, but I neglected to hide him before the buyers came, and a great big giant of a man swooped him up, paid for him, and was gone, before I could protest.

I'd love to be able to tell Dolly what a photogenic success he's been. He was shown in the Swiss counterpart of CATS Magazine, called *Der Katzenfreund*. If we had kept him, who knows, he may have rivaled Rhubarb! I say that about so many of our kits—to which my husband always replies, "You know, dear, we can't keep them all." And of course, he's right.

Mrs. Paul B. Glass

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Joliet, Ill.

### THE DEVIL, YOU SAY

Dear Editors:

I was interested in the search of a biblical mention of cats. I did find a legend in "Cat Tales" by Natalie M. Belting. In it are stories told by grandfathers of many lands to their grandchildren.

One tells of Noah's building the ark and of how the devil wanted to get into it. He changed himself into a mouse, crept in, and when the ark was afloat gnawed a hole in a plank for the waters to come in and sink it.

Noah heard the gnawing, saw the hole and threw his fur glove at the mouse. The glove miraculously turned into a cat who caught the mouse. The rule was that all animals on the ark should dwell there in peace, so as the cat had violated the rule, Noah had to throw it into the flood waters.

God helped the cat to get back onto the ark, and then explained to Noah that the mouse had been the devil and the cat had saved the ark and all those on it.

Even today, as the cat catches mice she dreams of the day when she again will catch the evil one.

Marion Foster

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### "NOT SNOW NOR RAIN"

Dear Editors:

It doesn't seem possible that five years have gone by since our beloved Guy Bogart sent me my first copy of CATS Magazine. Words can't begin to say how much we miss him. So glad the National Cat Week stamps are still with us and hope they will always be available.

Glad you published Kit Wilson's letter. We have started to send boxes of stamps to England and here is a picture of Jerry, my cat, waiting to see if the mailman is bringing the usually charming note of thanks from her—or perhaps CATS Magazine is due.

Helen Edwards

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### HOW MUCH?

Dear Editors:

It may help many of your readers if the breeders who advertise would quote an approximate price of the cats in their ads.

I am interested in getting a cat, but as I feel I couldn't afford the cost of any of the purebred ones, it will likely be just a Domestic.

I think your magazine might be helpful in finding good homes for the common Domestic. Just an idea I had when looking through the ads for those high-priced cats.

E. W. Henderson

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### SHARING

Dear Editors:

Life can be hard and bitter but, somehow, this all is made easier when you share it with a cat who seems to sense your disappointments.

Your magazine is a help, too, for when you read of other folk and of their love for cats you know there is still much good in the world and that because you have turned to your cat for re-assurance you are not stepping outside of what is normal.

Thank you, and I hope you grow and prosper for your sake as well as that of your subscribers.

Beryl Thompson

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### WHAT'S IN A NAME

Dear Editors:

I don't seem to have the difficulty in naming my cats that do some of your readers. When a new litter of kittens arrive I handle and pet them and before I know it I have named them.

Tiger has a very fitting name. People who see him for the first time say, "That cat looks just like a tiger." Puff was named when our little granddaughter mentioned he looked like the cat in her reader who was named that. Boots was christened when I told a small friend to pick out the kitten with the four white feet.

A name will come if one isn't in a hurry to pin some monicker on to the tiny feline.

Mrs. Hazel O. Brekke

Albee, South Dakota



### FLOWER GIRL

Dear Editors:

I enjoy CATS Magazine so much. I love the dear creatures and I feel that anyone who hasn't tried to make a friend of a cat has missed a great deal in life.

Our Kitty Poo has been with us for nine years and has brought us so much happiness that I wish everyone could know about cats. She has a wonderful personality and is a real beauty.

Thelma McClintock

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## AMOR VINCIT OMNIA

by H. Fredricka Allen

It's been said from the days of the ancient Romans that Love Conquers All. I've been told by many people that if we meet hate with love we will be victorious, that love is all-powerful and man's strongest weapon.

But now I've seen it lived by a cat.

Perdita is a cat who loves all mankind and all animal-kind. And she acts in accord with her convictions.

Two years ago while my husband, a friend, Dr. S. Stillman Berry, and I were on a trip, Perdita presented herself to us—I would say quite by chance, but I know now nothing Perdita does is "quite by chance." She plans it.

The name Perdita came from Shakespeare's *Winter Tale*. The resemblance between Shakespeare's heroine and ours was striking. Our Perdita, too, had been abandoned, not in a vessel at sea, but at an auto-court, the morning before the evening she came to us. The lost (*Fr. perdu*) Perdita was found.

Was she embittered about her treatment in the hands of other humans? She was not. She assured us she forgave and forgot them, and she loved the three of us equally, and would be quite willing to go wherever we went. With loving gestures and a loud purr, she explained how much we needed her on a two-thousand-mile trip.

My husband and I futilely argued this point for a few moments until Dr. Berry said, "Don't waste your time. She knows you're going to take her."

"Well, maybe," I grumbled.

The next morning Perdita left with us. I worried about how she would ride, eat, and take care of other basic needs. Perdita didn't. And everything was fine.

When we stopped the next evening for the night we were all three conspirators.

"Keep her under wraps," warned my husband, "until we get a cottage."

But Perdita was not to be "kept under wraps," which Dr. Berry took literally to mean his coat.

She jumped up and announced herself.

The surprised proprietor exclaimed, as I began putting luggage back into the car, "What a darling kitten!"

"Yes," said my husband wearily. "May she stay?"

"Of course—do you want some warm milk for her?"

I was ashamed I had less confidence than a cat. I thought it was that I was wiser in the ways of the world, but now I know it was that she was wiser in the ways of faith and love.

A few evenings later when auto-court vacancies seemed non-existent Dr. Berry suggested we send Perdita in as she had more confidence than we did.

This jarred us sharply and we decided if Perdita could find a home so easily the same law of love would provide us a place for the night. It did.

This is all very well, I began to think, for a small, soft kitten, even though of no remarkable beauty to win over bedazzled, addle-pated, human adult cat lovers. But what happens when she meets her own kind? Or even worse, her natural enemies? Does she woo them with love, too?

Indeed she does.

Her first meeting with her kind came when we brought her to our home. There in my eyes she suddenly shrank frighteningly in size when I presented her to three large male cats, one weighing twenty-six pounds, dressed in his fur.

Perdita, I thought, because I am a human, won't have a chance. These companions-to-be for her are first and foremost males. Secondly, they are three times as big. I thought in terms of size and power. Perdita thought in terms of friendship and brotherhood.

First there was Rupert, who is as big as a wild cat and looks every bit as fierce, witness the fact he has frightened tradesmen from our back door. He glared uncompromisingly at the interloper. I put my hand on Perdita to see if she was trembling. She was not. She was purring. With a deep-seated, contented rumble.

Her slanted green eyes regarded Rupert with something akin to compassion. "Don't you know," she seemed to say, "I have nothing but love for you, and sooner or later you will have to respond in kind?"

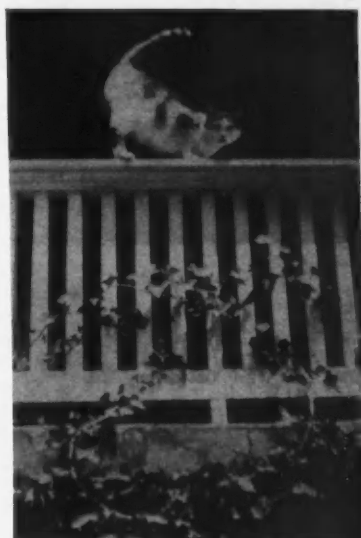
I was glad she didn't say this aloud, for I knew it would only antagonize Rupert. But Perdita had the strange wisdom of love. She never inflicted her beliefs on others until they were ready for them. In the meantime she just continued to live by her own creed.

Rupert snarled and spit at her, while she merely looked and purred at him. Suddenly I knew she didn't believe anything but good about him. She walked up to him to exchange one nose-sniffing kiss. An angry unsheathed claw was raised against her, but Perdita went on, negotiated her peace plan, and the paw fell with surprise and dismay.

Chadwick, an orange-and-white Longhair of princely bearing, had *professed* Perdita's beliefs for sometime, but her total acceptance and willingness to live by them were a rebuke to him. He drew himself up, hurt and chagrined. But after a moment he too capitulated.

Alexander was her immediate slave. This blue-eyed Siamese-throwback lives so close with fear I had expected him to scamper under a chair or couch at her approach. But he looked into her eyes of confidence and trust and his own blue-black eyes lost their fear and with a hesitant mew he sniffed her proffered nose.

So she had conquered her humans, and her own kind with love. But there were neighborhood dogs.



—Photo of Perdita by Mrs. Allen

The lovely black-and-white Setter from across the street came to the big roll gate and the end of the drive to bark startlingly and terrifying at three big cats sitting in the driveway. Three big cats leaped to their feet and ran for the front porch. But Perdita who was on the other side of the yard ran to the gate, stuck her paw through, rubbed her side against the wire fencing and purred.

The Setter reared back on his hind legs. Then he approached menacingly, growling and threatening. Perdita waited. When he came close to the fence she mewed and offered her nose in friendship. This was not her own kind, but still a creature in her world, created somehow equally. With a howl the setter ran out into the street and there lay down, put his paws over his head and proclaimed himself a totally demoralized dog.

This may be easy, you say, when there's a fence between. That helps, yes. But the Golden Retriever from the other side of the street got in. He thought he'd found a paradise with three cats to chase. And then Perdita found him.

Perdita ran for him. He backed away. Delightfully and playfully, she chased him around the house, insisting on a friendly nose-sniff or a game with a fluffy plume of a tail. When his master came to "save" Perdita, his dog threw himself at his feet and plainly said, "It isn't so. It is contrary to all the laws of nature."

"Yes," I heard Perdita reply (for I do understand her now) "But it is not contrary to the laws of God. Hatred is impotent in the face of Love. And we cats who date back to being gods of the Egyptians know that the Romans were late in saying 'Love conquers all.'"

I wish Perdita were a statesman. I wish she were a Voice to our people. I wish she were my conscience. For you know, I think she's right.

# FEWLINES 'BOUT FELINES

## THE MIRROR CAT

*The mirror cat  
Of silver gray,  
Surprised me so  
I walked away.  
I soon returned  
As girls will do,  
Who find they like  
A mirror's view;  
Then purred a song  
With loving grace,  
And charmed that cat  
Who wore my face.*

—Avis Turner French

## HUNGRY STRAY

He came to us crying for his supper,  
Rough black fur and raucous voice.  
What a pest! We gave him something  
To keep from hearing that horrible meow.

"Don't let him in; chase him away!"  
We fed him grudgingly—half-scornful.  
Once and twice a day he came;  
We fed him and still sometimes he cried.

"He can't be hungry! What does he want?"

And then he did not come any more.  
We found him under some bushes—dead;

Illness, an accident—who knows?  
Poor cat, come back and sing for your supper!

Poor cat, forgive our human ways.  
And oh, St. Francis of Assisi,  
Brother and helper of all creatures,  
Welcome, please, a black-furred stranger;

Give him the love which we denied,  
Give the caresses we withheld,  
And satisfy his hunger at last.

—Miriam Ashley Kozelka

## FELINE

*Who would suppose —  
as you lie here,  
supine and sleek,  
in this square of sunlight  
on my soft carpet —  
that the long, lean streak,  
the predatory leap  
which last night  
took the gluttonous gopher  
from my garden,  
was You?*

—Evalyn Miller Sandberg

## IF YOU MUST

Well, alright, you obstinate cuss,  
If you must go out, I suppose you must.

But don't look for the likes of me,  
To wait up till the clock strikes three,  
Just to let you in this house,  
In which you never catch a mouse.  
And if you screech for sympathy,  
Because you're stuck again in that tree,  
Don't expect me to rush to your aid,  
With another moonlight pajama brigade.

To climb to the top of the highest branch,  
Then to fall down under an avalanche  
Of twigs and leaves, and apples and dew,

And worst of all, big fat you.  
And if you worry that dog next door,  
And he gets hold of you once more,  
He may just break your worthless neck,

Before you make me a nervous wreck,  
With your midnight cries of anguished pain,

When a simple check would make it plain,

That the big red blots all over you,  
Is boxer blood, that you just drew.  
And if you howl till it seems to rain  
With shoes from windows, don't complain.

I think you deserve a lump on your head,

For keeping the neighbors and me from bed.

Well, all right, you obstinate cuss,  
If you must go out, I suppose you must.

You may not return from this rendezvous,

But, darling kitty, for me, please do.

—Margie Volz

## KITTEN

*Beetle stalked with puzzled frown  
among sweet scented grasses,  
nose an inch above the ground  
Pippa slowly passes.*

*Prowling, sniffing, ears alert  
for what she might awaken  
puddles skirted daintily,  
paws primly clenched and shaken  
slow investigating all she sees  
tail flagged aloft in pride,  
from bole to boulder thence to  
brook  
with comic, wobbling stride.*

—Jay Ames

## SINNER IN PARADISE

*My kitten, like the lilies of the field,  
Nor toils nor spins;*

*He gets away with murder and a host  
Of feline sins;*

*Yet when he purrs upon my lap and curls*

*His snowy mittens*

*I grant the sinner paradise reserved  
For angel kittens!*

—Pearl Riggs Crouch

## CATTY CHATTER

I've got a problem —

It's REALLY terrific,

We own a cat—who's

Extremely prolific!

She always has nine!

And all my kids say,

"You really wouldn't give

THIS one away!"

So I find homes for

Most of them —

And when they are placed,

She's "that way" again!

And I am stuck

AGAIN with protecting,

A garage FULL of cats —

AND the ones she's expecting!

—Jane Martin

## VERDICT

*My cat —*

*Pantaletted*

*Persian prima donna,*

*Eyes me with Mona Lisa smile*

*Then yawns.*

—Alice M. Swaim

## NOVICE AT THE CAT SHOW

*My Siamese won't get a prize,  
For she is much too chubby now.  
Her china blue non-Mandarin eyes  
Won't even win a tom's meow.*

*Her ears are small; her tail's too short,  
Although it isn't kinked or fat  
Like those on cats of Siam's court,  
Where her kind is the royal cat.*

*A non-conformist cat is she  
So not one ribbon will she get;  
But I love her, and she loves me,  
And that's more than a gold rosette.*

—Cornelia Montgomery

## A CAT CRITIC ON CAT ART

Photos and story by Robert Smeltzer

(An exhibition of forty original woodcuts, etchings, engravings, and drawings was one of the first collections to be shown in the new Museum of Art in Greenville, S. C. The show, "Mon Ami le Chat," was loaned to the museum by the Brooks Memorial Art Gallery of Memphis, Tenn. It included works by Pablo Picasso, Eduard Manet, and Foujita, a contemporary Japanese artist. An interview with Tsai-Ming Olpau Ko-Ko was held following her preview of the exhibit.

"On the whole," she said, "these are delicate and poetic expressions of really marvelous skill and audacity. I like them very much, for the most part."

"What don't you like?"

Opinions of the art show, "Mon Ami le Chat," were being asked of Tsai-Ming Olpau Ko-Ko, art connoisseur, experts on dogs and cats, and Number 90-SB-400 in the Cat Fanciers' Association stud book.

"Well," Ko-Ko thought, "that picture over there is sadly undistinguished, for example. Though more dynamic than most of the others, its contrived lyric effect and its attempt at grace fails. I just don't see it," and she was very adamant on this.

"You would recommend, though, that the exhibit be opened to the public?"

"Oh, dear, yes!" Ko-Ko lisped. "I'm all for 'art for the masses'." Then, realizing how she must have sounded, she raised an admonishing forepaw.

"Don't for goodness sake, misunderstand me! I don't wish to sound like a snob or anything like that. But let us face it: 'Art' is not for just anyone. There's a fellow in my neighborhood, for instance, who would be lost — simply lost — in this gallery. Name of Rover. Big fellow. Barks a lot, too."

"Do you see any pictures here you particularly like?"

"Hmmm . . ." Ko-Ko said, and she looked critically about the room full of forty cat drawings by Picasso, Manet and others.

"Ye-e-e-sss . . ." and she directed a delicate paw to one corner. "I believe that one there. The Picasso. I love its indefinable grace of attitude and the expression in the pensive figure. It sends me."

She continued her scrutiny of the pictures.

"And there's another I think simply marvelous. I'm something a bit Oriental, too, you know, so of course these Japanese pieces strike a chord, so to speak. But notice this one. It says to me that here is an artist with inexhaustible fertility and inventiveness. Notice the ears? And the whiskers? Not really ears and whiskers, though, but expressions suggesting significant aspects of The Whole Cat. What does it say to you, now?"

The back of the picture said \$100.

"And what else do you like here?" she was prompted.

"Well, over there on the mantle is one I don't think is especially important, though it's pleasing enough to the unastute eye. That is to say, it's not epochally important. It *is* Cat, to be sure, but is it Moving? Does it have Impact — subtle or blunt?"

Then she answered her own question the way she felt it should be answered:

"Of course not!" she snorted. Anyone could see the picture was neither sharp nor fuzzy. And it certainly wasn't Epochal.

"It would, however, as I said before, appeal, no doubt, to some. The unperceptive."

"Do you mean The Unwashed?"

"Indubitably!"

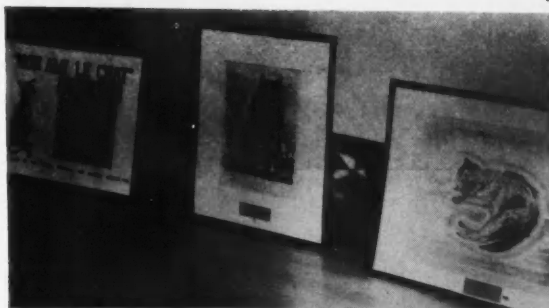
The interviewer then put away his pencil, folded his thoroughly indecipherable notes and said, "Where in the world did you learn to speak English like that?"

Ko-Ko shrugged. "Who's speaking English?" she said.

"Okay," the interviewer sighed and he picked Ko-Ko up and tucked her in the crook of an arm.

"Let's go home and have a dish of catnip tea," he suggested.

"Crazy, man!" purred Ko-Ko.



"Ye-e-e-sss" said Ko-Ko, resting behind The Picasso, "I believe it is my favorite."



"Those Steinlen cats are real cool," conceded the Siamese art expert, "but how come there are no Seal Points in the show?"



"You'd think they would have put this Gerhardt Marks woodcut where a body could get a good look at it."



"Another Steinlen—but still no Siamese or any of us real fancy cats."

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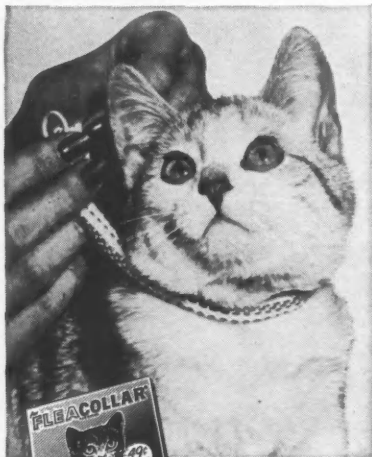
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"Tips to  
the Novice"  
by  
Blanche  
Wolfram

Jill will soon be eleven years old. She is a beautiful Blue Longhair cat, and were she a human of comparable age, she'd just be about sixty.

She's bright, happy, and lovable. Her coat is a very light, pale blue—just the color that our Blue breeders try so hard for, and it's the same even tone from head to toes all over, just as was that of her mother, Ch. Mair of Allington. Her eyes have lost a little of their deep copper glow, but they still are bright and sparkling and reflect Jill's perfect health.

Yes, we've brought Jill up to her "sixties" with the figure, glow, and healthfulness of a young matron. How was it done, and how do we keep her this way from now on?

First, our oldsters, and youngsters, too, must have well-balanced diets. Whether your principal food is one of the canned cat foods which are carefully prepared for your cats' health, or fresh-frozen horsemeat which I use, or other forms of meat or fish, don't limit your diet to just one thing. Vary it with fresh meat or fish, heart, kidney, cereal, some of the vegetables which cats love, like asparagus, occasionally. Always—every day—add a vitamin and mineral supplement to whatever food you use. This not only improves your cat's well-being, but will help your cat ward off most of the skin conditions which take root when health is just a little under par. In addition, I give "Old Grandma" Nutritive Capsules (Parke-Davis) at least four times a week. These, I understand were designed for nursing mothers, and I use them for cat-mothers, too, but they also seem to be just the thing to help our senior cat people meet their deficiencies of some minerals and vitamins.

Along with her food, water is important to Jill. She loves it, but, of course, wants to drink it only when the water is fresh and the bowl is clean. Be sure it's available to her all the time.

But Jill is fed only twice a day—and this is a good rule for all cats. Even though kitty begs to be fed every time you open the refrigerator door—*don't do it!*

Of course, it's all right to occasionally feed your pets the same food you are eating if they like it. Most of my cats like roast turkey or beef, and even spaghetti, and Jill just loves sauerkraut. Yes, you can feed them these different foods provided the cats thrive on them and you don't overdo it. Then they'll love to help you in the kitchen when they smell their special goodies cooking.

## OLD GRANDMA

But never let them think that these treats can be their only foods. So many people write me that they've let their cats reach the stage where they demand only one food—liver, for example—and will touch nothing else. Just like children, they'll eat candy and nothing else—if you let them get away with it. So, just as in kindness you'd force a child to eat his potatoes and vegetables—you must harden your heart and do the same good deed for your little fur friends.

Even though they try to tell you what they *want*, you tell them what is *good for them*—and see to it that they are fed by common sense, not by emotion.

No cat can feel right if her eyes are dirty or her ears are full of wax or if she has earmites, or a toothache, or sore gums from tartar on her teeth. And this is especially true of older cats. So, my practice is to take the senior citizens of my cattery for a medical checkup every six months.

Usually, there'll be nothing wrong at all, but surely it's worth that trip to the veterinarian twice a year, if only to hear the Doctor say, "She's fine," or, perhaps, "Maybe we'd better just clean her teeth a little." You've the satisfaction of knowing you have kept your friend in good health, or that if there is something wrong you've given the doctor a good chance to spot it before it becomes serious.

I try to do all I can for my cats, and you probably saw my picture some months ago, brushing one of my girls' teeth. I'm not sure I told you, though, that I was only brushing the front ones. Those in back I need help with. So every time I think Jill's tartar has accumulated to where it is pushing down into her tender gums, I pack her in the carrier and off to Dr. V.M. we go. Sometimes I have to tell her that it looks like we'll have a little trouble and our friend may have to pull out one of her teeth, but somehow, she never seems to object, and always jumps into the carrier in her good-natured way.

One difficulty some of our older Longhairs run into, especially if they have short noses, is what we humans call sinusitis. They tend to get mild sinus infections, making their noses run and get all stuffed up. When this happens they'll wait for you to clear the mucous out of their noses and eyes. I do this with Kleenex and warmed water at least twice a day, for these older characters aren't so keen on taking care of themselves as they were when they were younger. If the sinus condition gets too bad, I give the cat one-half of a Bufferin tablet twice a day. You'd be surprised how much this helps.

If your cat is a Shorthair, you can usually keep her in good appearance by brushing her daily—just enough to pick up any loose hairs. But to keep your Longhair gentlemen and ladies looking and feeling their best takes a good thorough brushing and combing every day plus a





Grandma Jill in a saucy mood.

—Ben Daniel photo.

nice warm tub bath every few weeks. Oh, I know, your girl will sit in the tub and give you a long song and dance of, "I DON'T NEED A BATH—I'M NOT A BIT DIRTY, can't you see?" But, you'll have to go right ahead just the same. And when they beg, "DON'T COMB MY PANTS—JUST MY HEAD AND BACK, PLEASE," don't show a bit of sympathy, for if you let them get away with it, it only means that their hair will really get matted and you'll have sore spots and pulled skin to deal with instead of just a few little kinks to straighten out.

Just be firm, but gentle. Do what you know has to be done, and no matter how much they complain at the time, they'll forgive you and love you the minute you finish and have them nice and clean and beautiful. It's true that once in a while Jill has a stubborn streak and pouts for an hour or two after her bath and grooming. She stalks around the house without even looking at me, but finally she lets me pick her up in my arms and love her, and all is well. And she's prouder than ever of being such a beautiful cat.

Of course, with dozens of cats and kittens around most of the time none of my cats are really "spoiled"—or perhaps I should say all of them are spoiled equally. But it's different with the cat that's the only one in a family—his whole personality is built up around his place of privilege in the household, and anything that challenges his position will hurt him very deeply and will cause serious personality changes. This is especially true of the older cat. So, if you have only one cat, and he is getting on in years, my advice is: don't bring in another cat while your present one is still with you. If you do, your present cat will never be the same again. Some show their resentment by refusing to eat, some forget their toilet habits, others refuse to let you pet them, or just sit in the corner and withdraw from everything as if they didn't want to live any longer. If you want to keep your dear old friend with you happily and healthy as long as possible don't make any changes until after he has left you.

There will have to be a final parting some day. Usually, death comes with relative swiftness and painlessness once the body is definitely weakened by age, and this is the easiest way for both of you.

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Peggy Young of Port Alberni, British Columbia submitted such a wonderful group of photographs that it made choosing just one of them a difficult job for the judges. We hope you approve.

### CATS MAGAZINE

#### PICTURE OF THE MONTH CONTEST RULES

1. Any unpublished Black and White Photograph featuring Cats or Kittens is eligible.
2. Entries must not be smaller than 5" x 7" nor larger than 12" x 14".
3. Pictures will be judged on interest and technical excellence.
4. Contestant's name and address and title of picture, if any, must be firmly affixed or printed lightly on the back of entry.
5. All entries must be submitted by the photographer who produced the picture. commercially finished photos are acceptable, but must be entered by the person who took the picture.
6. CATS Magazine can not enter into correspondence with contestants. No entries will be acknowledged or returned, and all become the property of CATS Magazine. Judges' decisions will be final.
7. Contestants agree to give CATS Magazine permission to use names and photographs for editorial, publicity, and advertising purposes. However, any non-winning picture which is subsequently used by CATS Magazine for such purposes will be paid for at our regular rates.
8. Employees or editorial associates of CATS Magazine are not eligible.
9. All entries received during the period November 15, 1959 to November 14, 1960 will be considered for 1960 monthly prizes.
10. Prizes will be—one \$25.00 U. S. Bond for the best entry named each month.
11. Send all entries to Judges, CATS MAGAZINE PICTURE CONTEST, A-3 House Building, Pittsburgh 22, Pa.

## FELINES and FASHION

by Ione Wilson

You are a "Cat Club" . . . or a "Feline Fanciers Society". Say it however you choose, it means that you are dedicated to bettering the lot of cats. Not just your gorgeous Champions and your glamorous Grands, but *all* cats everywhere. Naturally you need money to carry on your good works. So what to do?

Shall you organize a picnic? A barbeque? A raffle? ANOTHER grubby old rummage sale? If making money is your sole problem, any of these projects will undoubtedly suffice. But your object is really twofold . . . to make money, *and*, of even more importance, to present the cat in her true light, to introduce her to the general public as the elegant, lovely, charming pet that she is.

This is the dilemma that we, the Marin County Cat Fanciers, found ourselves in last summer when the time was fast approaching to make our annual contributions to cat welfare. A Ways and Means committee was formed and went into an ideas session. Starting with the fact that we *are* the Marin Cat Fanciers, we asked ourselves, what is our one outstanding asset? Naturally, our beloved cats . . . our exotic, elusive, fabulous felines. Feline and feminine have for centuries been synonymous . . . and *what* is more feminine than a fashion show? So let us capitalize on our assets and give an exotic, fabulous, and feminine fashion show! Thus was "Felines and Fashion" born.

It would be inaccurate to intimate that it was no sooner said than done, because it was a tremendous amount of work; but fun all the way.

Publicity is an important part of any undertaking of this kind. We started early and fed pictures and reams of copy to our local Society Editors, and the San Francisco and East Bay social pages, too. Copy kept "Felines and Fashion" very much in the public eye, and persistently reiterated the theme of *the eternal feminine, the eternal feline*. Most of our stories were used, too, because it was a fresh approach. Articles on the "who, what, when, and where" were introduced by such teasers as: "Lovely lady, are you proud, aloof, serenely independent? The beloved, forever-inscrutable mystery? Bubastis, too, surveyed her worshippers from a pedestal." Or again: "are you sleek and passionate, quick to show your shining claws . . . but quick to sheathe them in velvet, to caress? You have learned that unpredictable charm, my dear, from your furry, purry little sisters."

Keeping true to our feline theme, elegance had to be the keynote of the affair. As the location of the show we were able to reserve a beautifully appointed private Country Club, famous for its gourmet

luncheons and excellent bar. Clothes were from San Francisco's finest store, carefully selected for elegance and femininity. The volunteer models were not only lovely, but were all professionally experienced; and the volunteer commentator, a professional, and a cat-lover, was beautiful, articulate, and (you've guessed it) elegant.

Of course the cats were the hit of the show. Each color-group of clothes was introduced by ballet girls wearing black tights and furry little cat heads, carrying a cat of the appropriate color . . . a Russian Blue for the blue-through-gray series . . . a Burmese for the tawny colors . . . a red tabby Domestic for the bold colors . . . a magnificent white Longhair for the Opera Gown collection, etc.

The women loved it. And the men were even more enthusiastic. At first the thirty or so men present were a bit dubious about attending a women's luncheon, even though they had the "Captain's Table" all to themselves. But now they insist that this must be an annual affair, because they are all looking forward to bringing friends next time.

"BUT", you are asking, "did all this fun and glamour pay off?" And the answer is *yes*, definitely yes. We made over a thousand dollars. The Humane Society is delighted with their half. We have made the final payment on our Show Cages, and have a comfortable amount to get our Championship Show on the road. When the Show is over we will be able to donate another nice fat check to the Humane Society's neuter-and-spay fund, and still make our annual contribution to feline medical research.

So if you want to do your part for the betterment of our beloved pets . . . go the glamour route. Take the cat out of the alley . . . and put her on the Society page.



modeled in "Felines and Fashions" are, left to right: Mrs. George Coburn, Mrs. William Deeths (holding Ch. Kwan Yin's Tia Maria) and Mrs. Les Vogel Jr. Mrs. Deeths is President of the Marin Cat Fanciers. Photo from the San Rafael Independent-Journal.

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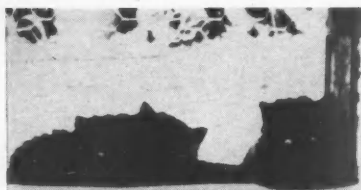
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## TAX CASUALTY & THEFT LOSSES

by Joseph Arkin, C.P.A.

The casualty and theft loss provisions of the Internal Revenue Code allow a taxpayer to recoup some of his losses through tax savings.

Dictionaries usually define a casualty as a fatal or serious accident, something that occurs by chance and is not foreseen, an inevitable accident. The Commissioner's regulations state that the loss, to be deductible, must come from natural physical forces, or from sudden, unexpected or unusual causes.

Can you, the pet owner, take advantage of this type of tax deduction?

Nowhere in the Code or the Regulations did this writer find any reference to the loss of pets. We do know, however, that pets are personal property and thus would qualify under the definition of a casualty loss to taxpayer's property.

One case quoted in many income tax guides and services is that of *McMorran*,

*B.T.A. Memo opinion, Dec. 10-628 E.* In this case, taxpayer's horse became ill three days after swallowing the lining of a hat and died two weeks later. The taxpayer could not prove that death was caused by the act of eating the hat lining. But, the Tax Court indicated that if death had been caused by swallowing the lining this would have come under "Other casualty" and would have given rise to a deductible loss.

In the case of theft, the owner has to prove there was actually a theft. The fact that your cat wandered off and is lost is not sufficient basis for claiming a deduction.

It is important to first prove that a casualty or theft occurred. If your car was killed by an accident of the type described, you must be able to substantiate such fact by newspaper clippings, statements of eyewitnesses, or other means.

The basis for determining your deductible tax loss is:

#### Step No. 1

	Example No. 1	No. 2
1—Fair Market Value before casualty .....	\$250.00	\$250.00
2—Fair Market Value after casualty .....	—0—	—0—
3—Apparent Loss .....	\$250.00	\$250.00
4—Less: Insurance recovery .....	75.00	none
5—Loss Sustained .....	\$175.00	\$250.00

#### Step No. 2

6—Your cat's cost .....	\$150.00	\$150.00
7—Less: Insurance recovery .....	75.00	none
8—Adjusted basis .....	\$ 75.00	\$150.00

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Where insurance proceeds are involved the loss is deducted in the year of the casualty if the amount of the insurance proceeds are reasonably established even if the collection is not made until a later year.

When the amount of insurance recovery is in doubt because of a dispute, you deduct the casualty loss in the year in which the claim is finally settled if you are reasonably sure that some insurance will be collected. Where there is a doubt as to collecting anything, deduct the casualty loss in the year in which it occurs and report the eventual insurance recovery in the year in which it is collected as income.



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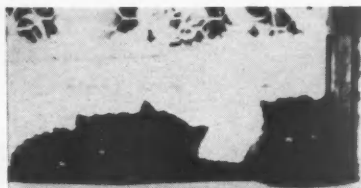
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## TAX CASUALTY & THEFT LOSSES

by Joseph Arkin, C.P.A.

The casualty and theft loss provisions of the Internal Revenue Code allow a taxpayer to recoup some of his losses through tax savings.

Dictionaries usually define a casualty as a fatal or serious accident, something that occurs by chance and is not foreseen, an inevitable accident. The Commissioner's regulations state that the loss, to be deductible, must come from natural physical forces, or from sudden, unexpected or unusual causes.

Can you, the pet owner, take advantage of this type of tax deduction?

Nowhere in the Code or the Regulations did this writer find any reference to the loss of pets. We do know, however, that pets are personal property and thus would qualify under the definition of a casualty loss to taxpayer's property.

One case quoted in many income tax guides and services is that of *McMorran*,

*B.T.A. Memo opinion, Dec. 10-628 E.* In this case, taxpayer's horse became ill three days after swallowing the lining of a hat and died two weeks later. The taxpayer could not prove that death was caused by the act of eating the hat lining. But, the Tax Court indicated that if death had been caused by swallowing the lining this would have come under "Other casualty" and would have given rise to a deductible loss.

In the case of theft, the owner has to prove there was actually a theft. The fact that your cat wandered off and is lost is not sufficient basis for claiming a deduction.

It is important to first prove that a casualty or theft occurred. If your car was killed by an accident of the type described, you must be able to substantiate such fact by newspaper clippings, statements of eyewitnesses, or other means.

The basis for determining your deductible tax loss is:

#### Step No. 1

	Example No. 1	No. 2
1—Fair Market Value before casualty .....	\$250.00	\$250.00
2—Fair Market Value after casualty .....	—0—	—0—
3—Apparent Loss .....	\$250.00	\$250.00
4—Less: Insurance recovery .....	75.00	none
5—Loss Sustained .....	\$175.00	\$250.00

#### Step No. 2

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When the amount of insurance recovery is in doubt because of a dispute, you deduct the casualty loss in the year in which the claim is finally settled if you are reasonably sure that some insurance will be collected. Where there is a doubt as to collecting anything, deduct the casualty loss in the year in which it occurs and report the eventual insurance recovery in the year in which it is collected as income.

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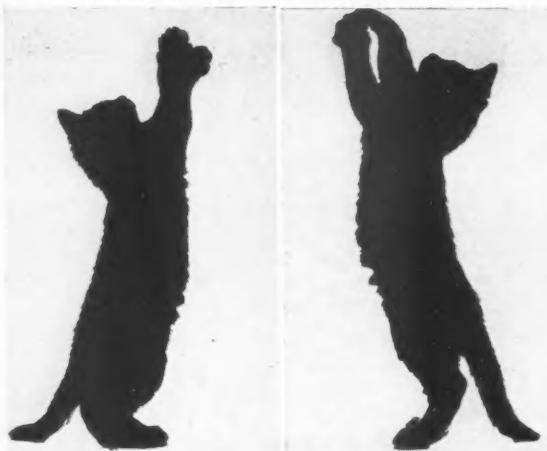
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Conducted By E. A. Renaux, D.V.M.

My four-year-old female has chronic cystitis with attacks which we control with Urised coming every six months or so. Recently, too, she has had a stubborn case of eczema which has finally subsided through treatment with our local veterinarian. Then about a month ago a small area on her upper lip became eroded and slightly inflamed. There was no discharge, and the lesion did not appear to be causing discomfort, but now a similar spot has appeared almost overnight on the lower lip. What can be the trouble?

—Miriam Brown

39 Mansfield Road, Babylon, N. Y.

*It is possible that there is some connection between the irritation of the mouth area and the cystitis. The use of Vitamin B may be indicated, and some Vitamin A might help with the cystitis.*

I have a Siamese, male neutered, who has developed the distressing condition that makes him race through the house, back quivering, stopping to bite himself, until he is panting. He stops only when I throw a towel over him and pick him up. This cat has been raised on horsemeat, raw, condensed milk, Vifort and brewers yeast—the only things he'll eat.

—Helen M. Parrish

Los Angeles 45, Calif.

*I might as well get in on the diet difficulty, too. Your cat is getting plenty of B vitamins, but there is very little, if any, Vitamin A present. I would suggest that he be fed any good commercial cat food—one that would not have an excess of fish content—and the use of a vitamin preparation such as Aqueasol Vitamin A (U.S. Vitamin) in his food. If a urinary antiseptic is called for, Urised (Chicago Pharmacal) is a good one.*

Recently euthanasia was recommended for my fifteen-year-old pet with a large tumor. Could hormone shots which she has been given have caused the tumor to grow larger? Her body also became very sore. The veterinarian put her to sleep by giving her a shot in the lung. Could this have caused her extra pain?

—Mrs. Ruth Heathcote

8744 21st Ave., NW, Seattle 7, Wash.

*The hormone treatment should not have caused any growth. If anything, it might have helped to retard growth. Pain or soreness in a cat of that age can be observed even when no tumor is present. I believe that many times it is mostly a matter of age and physical weakness.*

*As for the matter of euthanasia, I can assure you that it is always done humanely by any veterinarian. Remember, most animals will cry or show an indication of pain when an injection of penicillin or a vitamin is given in the leg. The injection that is given is less painful than either of those. Some veterinarians will give the euthanasia injection in the leg, but this is not always possible because of the condition of the patient. By either route, there is very little if any sensation of pain, and death comes rapidly and quietly.*

One of our three cats washes himself almost continuously, as though he has fleas, although he does not. Also, he will jump up from a sound sleep and go rushing through the house as though something were after him.

—M. J. Edwards

311 S. Lorraine Ave., Wichita, Kansas

*The washing may be due to an excessive amount of secretions from the skin which he is trying to clean away. One of the shampoos suitable for using on cats may help to relieve this. His jumping up and running might be caused by the filling of two little glands right at the anus. The pressure that is built up can give cats acute pain at times.*





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**Fanciers Forum****NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CAT SHOW OFFICIALS**

Dear Editors:

Among the various "first steps" which might be taken toward the eventual union of all cat bodies a most logical one would be an association of Cat Show Officials.

Such a group would serve many obvious purposes as the cat world exists today. Its tendency to bring about uniformity between the Associations would just be an added dividend.

Here is an outline which some of us prepared toward the establishment of such an association. Let's have complaints, compliments, and suggestions for going ahead!

**PURPOSE**

To enroll, train and furnish unbiased, independent, qualified judges and other officials for cat shows of any and all associations.

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To do all necessary things to further the efficient, prompt and professional officiating of the shows of any association.

**STRUCTURE**

An unincorporated, voluntary, non-profit and unaffiliated association of individual, professional judges, clerks and other cat show officials, to be supported by dues and a percentage of fees collected for its members.

**MANAGEMENT**

The general management should be vested in a Board of Directors who should be elected to serve terms of such duration that there should be a minority elected each year.

The active management should be vested in an Executive Director who should be a bonded employee of the association under contract.

**MEMBERSHIP**

The participating membership should comprise those judges and officials who are available to accept assignments within their fields. Judges and other officials who by reason of unavailability are ineligible to accept assignments or persons who have requested temporary or permanent transfer, should be given a non-participating status.

**ELIGIBILITY (Judges)**

Until a pre-determined date the rolls of this association should be open to the recognized and approved judges of any association or organization in good standing as of the date of organization of NACSO and should be accorded recognition as competent and proficient to the same degree accorded by their own associations.

After the date pre-determined above, all applicants for admission should be required to produce such credentials and/or submit to such examination as the association may establish and publicize.

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A mileage and per diem schedule should be established as a basis for determining judges expenses and adequately publicized.

The Executive Director of NACSO should not be a participating member.

A manual of show procedure and mechanics should be compiled and an agreement for its acceptance negotiated with all associations.

A committee on standards should be appointed to meet with its counterpart committee in each of the various registering associations in order that all standards be essentially identical.

Mrs. Rupert Graham

174 Ellis St.

San Francisco 2, Calif.

**THE CASE OF THE SIAMESE**

Dear Editors:

Now that the show season is in full swing it may be too late to do anything for this year's All-Americans, but I think it would be well to start a discussion now as to whether or not there should be a change in the present All-American scoring system under which outstanding cats of certain breeds are handicapped.

I am referring to the Second Best Cat Award, and in some instances the Best Opposite Sex Cat Award given at our shows, and the subsequent scoring of their wins for A-A.

Example: When a Seal Point Siamese Female takes a Second Best Cat win in an All Breed show (to a Longhair or a less popular SH breed "Best Cat"), she in most cases must sacrifice much of the count she won in her class and color and division. This is because as Second Best Cat she is permitted to score no more points than the Best Cat. Thus, a Best of Color Blue Point or a BOX Seal Point Male from large classes may win almost as many points as the Second Best Cat. 60-class show: Black Female Open with eight Blacks competing is Best Cat. Total points—68. Second Best Cat is Siamese Female Champion from class of 30. Since she scores 51 class points, she gets only 16 color points and loses 14. Otherwise she'd go over 67 points. Meanwhile, if a Blue Point from a class of 30 should happen to be Best Opposite Sex cat, or even Best Novice she would come close to getting as many points as the 2nd Best. Thus you are penalizing the Seal Point—not as against the Longhair Best Cat, but by making it lose Best of Color points against the other Siamese in the race for Shorthair of the Year.

So long as you use the system of one point per class plus one point for each cat of the same color, there must be this injustice, for obviously, no cat should out-score the Best Cat. I suggest that the All-Americans be scored throughout by NUMBER of individual cats defeated instead of by class. This would make a higher count throughout, but would make it automatically impossible for any cat to out-score the Best Cat, yet would give the Shorthairs, and particularly the Siamese, their full count against each other.

It would not favor the Shorthairs as against the Longhairs, nor vice versa, and would, I believe, make scoring somewhat simpler throughout.

I know that a change in the All-American scoring involves a good many factors, and that there have been very few complaints against the system as it now stands. Yet, I feel that if this obvious injustice is called to the attention of the Fancy, and that if there is a general demand for its elimination, you will take it into consideration when next revising the All-American rules.

Let's have the thoughts of you other cat fanciers and strivers for the A-A awards.

—Harriet Wolfgang

4300 Brook Ave.

Minneapolis, Minn.

# FURTHER ADVENTURES OF QUINSEY

by Mara E. Mulligan

Last winter was the fourth that Quinsey, our wild Maine Cat, has depended on my charity for his survival. But in February he added to his growing circle of protectors. The four new friends were my geese and ganders.

Quinsey always is waiting when I come out of my bedroom and into my dining room no matter how early that may be, and no matter how cold the weather is outside, but early in February I missed him for three long icy days. We had had the coldest winter here since 1934, so when I missed Quinsey for that third morning I was truly concerned. Every inch of our old dirt road was a glare of ice, and Quinsey has a limp still from some mysterious injury of two summers ago.

"How can he ever manage that road?" I thought. I had been creeping along it myself for days. I could just see him slipping and sliding along, because the snow on the sides was piled high, and also covered with ice. There just was no way to walk except along the road, and I knew an old barn three-quarters of a mile down toward the village was one favorite place where the old, black cat often slept. I have traced his footsteps through deep snow on the way to the post office. But now it wasn't deep snow—it was the most treacherous of ice.

At noon this third day I heard a pitiful cry at my kitchen door. The sun was bright on the snow outside, and it was warm where there was no shade on my rock terrace. I opened the door and there was Quinsey. He had already made me suffer more than I like to think, and now I held my breath with shock. Poor Quinsey! He tried to leap back when I opened the door. He is still a wild cat and suspicious of humans, but now he was in desperate straights and he knew it. He was dragging his rear legs and utterly unable to jump at all.

"Oh," I thought, as I have thought so many times about Quinsey, "Whatever can I do for that poor beast?"

Here in the country we have no Animal Rescue Leagues nor anything of the kind. There is just nothing, unless we can get a Game Warden or a Dog Constable. Of course the first thing I did was to feed Quinsey. A huge dish of warm evaporated milk and water, half and half, which is his favorite food. I also put out a generous serving of the scrapple I make for my eleven cats. I watched him eat it all. He even smiled up at me as cats will. I stepped a bit nearer when he had finished, thinking that perhaps, now, at last, he would not run away, but he did. He tore away as fast as his wounded limbs would let him out toward the little red house I have for my geese. He scrambled inside the door, and stopped to rest there in the sun. There was nothing more I could do for him then. He had been grievously hurt once

before, and had recovered by himself, in what we neighbors had considered a miracle, so maybe it would happen again. I could wait and see. There was always the warden.

That night when I started to drive the geese into their house, they stopped in the doorway and hissed. They stretched out their necks and hesitated, but at last they did go in. The next morning, after a night when the thermometer dropped to ten below zero, I looked in vain for Quinsey. I know that freezing is a merciful way to die. Being cold stops the aches, and I have read that people just go to sleep when they freeze, so I thought perhaps that might have happened to Quinsey. When I opened the goose house, however, Quinsey came out after the geese. He was still dragging his rear limbs, but he was very much alive.

I hurried to feed him, generously, and on the ground so he would not have to jump. His regular feeding place is a little old table under my dining room window. I watched him crawl back to the goose house door. He tried a couple of times to wash himself, but of course he could not. I suffered some more for the poor creature but there was nothing more I could do except to arrange to have him shot, and somehow I just could not do that. He has fought so many battles, and struggled so hard to live.

I put half a bale of fresh, new hay in the goose house later that morning, and that night I checked with my flash light before I drove in the geese and sure enough Quinsey had made himself a nest in the corner, and was deep in the hay. All I

could see were his eyes like live coals in the dark. That night it was twelve below, but Quinsey crawled out in the morning and ate again. The fourth morning he did not come out although I had checked to see if he were inside the night before. It was still bitterly cold. Some time before noon I made myself go to the goose house door and crawl just inside. I expected to find a stiff little form, but I should have known Quinsey better than that. He was sitting up in his nest, and he came out and ate again. From that day on he improved steadily, and now he can even jump again. What happened to him is something nobody can ever know, but he is far tamer than he has ever been.

In early March I did put my hand on his black back for a second before he snarled and leaped away, and once, he has stayed on the window sill, and purred loudly and deeply, even when I have pushed up the sash enough to touch his side. He is still a wild cat though, and I am hoping that no more dreadful troubles will come his way.

What has surprised everyone the most is the way the geese accepted his dire straits, and allowed him to sleep in the nest he had made in their very own house which they warmed with their living, breathing selves in the bitter nights. Somehow those creatures understood that a fellow creature needed help. The two huge ganders could have beaten him to nothing had they chosen to do so. But they did not; they gave him another chance to live. I read somewhere lately that the same people who love cats are likely to enjoy geese, and it is certainly true for me. Cats and geese are smarter than you would think.

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## ON HEREDITY AND GENES

(a do-it-yourself genetics manual)  
by Ralph Mullins

As an avid cat fancier from the time I was twelve, I have dedicated the greater part of my life to concentrated study of the fascinating subject, Heredity in Cats. From my controlled experiments, I have drawn many conclusions. I have concluded making these conclusions and I am ready to give to the world some of my more brilliant thoughts. These I will try to set forth here for your study in easy-to-understand form.

The very famous geneticist, Dr. Hugo Glick, whom we all know, amazed the world with his now classic experiments in genetics with the *Pennies Test*. Finding to his disgust, that the heads and tails both seemed to recur with depressing regularity as he tossed them upon a table. He amassed a fabulous amount of statistics, indicating dominant and recessive pennies. He states the Indian head seems dominant to the Lincoln head, but the Lincoln head is not a dilute Indian as some people think.

I have based all of my experiments upon his methods. His book "Genes Can Be Fun, or How to Win at Matching Pennies" was by my side at all times. I have successfully transposed pennies to cats, after finding it difficult to throw cats upon a table and have them come up heads or tails.

Now, first of all, there are two distinct types of cats. I have classified these generally as—Male and Female. In my experience I have noted that there are radical differences in these two types. The male cat appears to be the more masculine of the two, while the female shows definite feminine characteristics. I believe that the latter is possibly the *mother* cat.

I have tried crossing these two types and have discovered a possible third type which I call *Baby Cat*. This type is smaller than the other two, but I have not succeeded in establishing this breed for it shows a tendency to develop into one of the former types. It must not be a pure breed.

One important facet of Heredity I have covered in my studies is the transmitting of the *Meow* gene. This is a complex problem, in that the factor of the "dilute" gene comes into being. The first *meow* gene I succeeded in isolating was the Loud. From this in later experiments I uncovered the existence of the Soft or dilute gene. This research showed the Loud gene to be dominant over the Soft-dilute gene. Therefore my findings conclusively prove a loud Meow is stronger than a soft Meow.

But again in a later experiment I also discovered the "High-Pitched" gene and the "Low-Pitched" gene—the low being a dilute of the high.

Now with these important facts brought to light, I continued delving into genetic mysteries.

For a sample experiment I crossed a

"High-Pitched Loud" with a "Low-Pitched Soft" and obtained the following results: There were two Loud Highs, and four Low-Pitched Louds, with four Soft-Pitched Louds, one Low Outside Pitch, and two High males.

Also there were four Hi-Lo's and a Soft High. But some of the Highs were found to be lower than the Lows, and then again, some Lows were softer than the Louds.

And by line-breeding I discovered it was possible to obtain Lows that were louder than the High cats. I have more material on this experiment but the highly complicated nature of it makes it impractical for novice breeders.

Readers interested in the study of Genes will find it fascinating and also a dandy way to while away those long winter evenings. As I was just telling my cats the other day, there's a Gene for everyone. I would recommend Gene Kelly for the women and Gene Tierney for the men.

## Show Reporter

### GARDEN STATE KITTEN SHOW WINS:

ALL BREED—Kay McQuillen. Best Kit Green Lane Danny, SP m, Naugle. OS Kit—Stonybrook Rosalie, Blue Cr f, English. LONGHAIR SPECIALTY—Mrs. E. A. Kunzel. Best Kit—Stonybrook Greybun, Cr m, English. OS Kit—Skyway's Elata of Silver Bell, Smk f, Schuh. SHORTHAIR SPECIALTY—Dr. Nancy Riser. Best Kit—Green Lane Danny. OS Kit—Wila Blite Zenith, Odd-Eyed Wh Manx f, Bannon.

### HAWKEYE CLUB GAINS NCW PROCLAMATION

Using a draft prepared by Mrs. William Briney, publicity chairman of the Hawkeye State Cat Club, Governor Loveless of Indiana proclaimed November 1-7 National Cat Week with announcement being made in all the Indiana Public Schools and in newspapers.

### FOUNDER LEAVES CCCC FOUNDATION

Florence Kemmer, one of the founders of the C.C.C.C. Foundation Fund for cat welfare has announced her resignation from the Fund, and also from the Circus City Cat Club.

### NEW OFFICERS

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### IRMA E. SIEGEL

One of the Northwest's best known Silver breeders was lost to the Fancy in the passing of Irma E. Siegel on October 16. As owner of Casa Rio Cattery, Irma was a most successful breeder, winning top honors with her fine Silvers at West Coast and inland shows. She held office for the Rose City Cat Club on many occasions and was their Show Manager several times.

—May M. Pershing  
Member Rose City Cat Club

## GRANDMA

(FROM  
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But if your loved one reaches the point where he is obviously suffering and the veterinarian tells you that there is no hope for recovery, you may be called upon to make a very difficult decision. My advice is: follow your doctor's suggestion. I don't believe in letting any animal suffer when there is nothing but pain for it to look forward to. The hard decision for you, will be best for your cat.

But now, let's see what other pointers I can give you on cat geriatrics. As your cats get older, you will find they want more peace and quiet. They'll sleep a great deal of the time, but when they're awake, they'll demand more attention—and they'll need it, too. Their aging little bodies can't take as much exercise as they once did, so I never let the adolescents and "young adults" chase Jill around, but young kittens are more gentle, and I do let them play with her for she loves them and mothers them.

Never let your older cats feel that they are not loved for they need love and kindness then more than ever before. It seems they can't understand why we must take care of the others and not devote all our time to them. Despite her upbringing with so many other cats, in order not to hurt Jill's feelings I have to place her in another room after we have played together. Otherwise I wouldn't be able to groom and play with my other cats and kittens.

This is a trick you may have to use if you have more than one cat. For jealousy, even of long-time cat friends, sometimes becomes a serious matter as cats grow older. Try to make your "Grandma" think that she is your favorite—this will bring out the best in her and she will always adore you and want your attentions. And she'll repay you by meeting you at the door, talking to you, sitting in your lap, and in general being a good, happy companion.

As you do, I love all of my cats and will do all that I can to help them have a happier life on earth. Jill is very special with me, and I may be doing a little extra for her, just because she is getting on in years. But I am being well repaid, and so will you be, if you do the same for your "Old Grandma".



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## Cats Show Calendar

### February

- 6-7—Akron, Ohio—Portage Trail Cat Club (CFA). All Breed (Kay McQuillen); LH & SH Specialties (Julia Hunter).  
 6-7—Memphis, Tenn.—COMBINED SHOWS: Memphis Dixieland Cat Club (ACFA). All Breed (Mars Hanson); LH & SH Specialties (Marian Simms). American National Cat Club. All Breed (Dr. Ralph Boren); LH & SH Specialties (David Deans-Henderson).  
 6-7—St. Petersburg, Fla.—Sunshine City Cat Club (ACA). All Breed (Jasperine Jones); LH & SH Specialties (Florence Leopold).  
 6-7—Honolulu, Hawaii—Hawaii Cat Fanciers (CFA). All Breed (Helen Fairchild); LH & SH Specialties (Doris E. Springer).  
 13-14—Tampa, Fla.—Florida Cat Fanciers (CFA). All Breed (Marguerite Mabie); LH & SH Specialties (Louise Heron).  
 13-14—Cincinnati, Ohio—Cincinnati Cat Club (CFA). All Breed (Laura Graham); Solid Color, T&T, and Silver Specialties (Mary K. Carroll); DSH & FSH Specialties (Cecil Novak).  
 13-14—Las Vegas, Nev.—Golden Meadow Felines (UCF). All Breed; LH & SH Specialties. All Breed (Polly Jones); LH & SH Specialties (Peggy Galvin); "Jack o' Hearts" All Breed (Tanya Hokin).  
 13-14—Houston, Texas—Houston Cat Club, Inc. (CFA). All Breed (Matil Rotter); LH & SH Specialties (Julia Hunter).  
 20-21—Detroit, Mich.—Detroit Persian Society (CFA). All Breed (Naomi Favara); LH & SH Specialties (Blanche Wolfram).  
 20-21—San Mateo, Calif.—San Francisco Cat Club (ACA). All Breed (Edith Schulte); LH & SH Specialties (Polly Jones).  
 20-21—Philadelphia, Pa.—William Penn Cat Club (CFA). All Breed (Robert Martin); LH Specialty (Frances Herms); SH Specialty (Sven Nelson).  
 27-28—Independence, Mo.—COMBINED SHOWS: Kansas City Midwest All Breed Cat Club (ACFA). All Breed (Harriett Wolfgang); LH & SH Specialties (Bert Tebbetta). American National Cat Club (ACFA). All Breed (Ree Rathburn); LH & SH Specialties (Carl Darnell).  
 27-28—Hyattsville, Md.—Cat Fanciers of Washington (CFA). All Breed (Matil Rotter); LH Specialty (Blanche Wolfram); SH Specialty (Richard Gebhardt).

### March

- 5-6—Detroit, Mich.—COMBINED SHOWS: Michigan All Breed Cat Club (ACFA). All Breed (Ree Rathburn); LH & SH Specialties (Luis Passalacqua-Christian). American National Cat Club (ACFA). All Breed (Lynne Vanderpool); LH & SH Specialties (Lorraine Wiesemann).  
 5-6—Roseburg, Ore.—Feline Fanciers of Oregon (ACFA). All Breed (Harriet Wolfgang); LH & SH Specialties (tha).  
 12—Edgely, Pa.—Delaware Valley Cat Fanciers (ACA). All Breed (Gertrude Hamaker); LH Specialty (Mary Thoman); SH Specialty (Albert Dickens).  
 12—Costa Mesa, Calif.—Western Cat Club (UCF). All Breed (Bert Tebbetta); LH & SH Specialties (Wayne Park).  
 13—Costa Mesa, Calif.—Intra-Valley Cat Club (UCF). All Breed (Ruth Lents); LH & SH Specialties (Phyllis Whitney).  
 19-20—Long Beach, Calif.—Bellflower Cat Fanciers Club (ACA). All Breed (Edith Schulte); LH Specialty (Dr. Fern Smith); SH Specialty (Virginia Sween).

### April

- 2—Bivalve, Md.—COMBINED SHOWS: Eastern Shore Cat Fanciers (ACFA). 2 All Breeds (Ree Rathburn and Frances Kosierowski); LH & SH Specialties (Marian Tracy); LH & SH Specialties (Luis Passalacqua Christian).

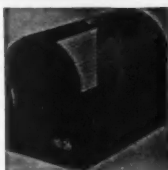
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**MIDWEST FELINE FANCIERS (CFF)**, 8th Ch Show, Milwaukee, Wis.  
Oct. 24-25, 1959. **ALL BREED**—Mrs. Walter Rehbein. Best Cat, Nov. LH, SC—Mt. Hawley's Royal Brandy, Cr m, Crandell. 2nd Best Cat; Best Ch SH, FSH, Aby—Dabru of Sheramain, m, McNaughtan. OS Cat, Nov. LH, SC—Sheila Reh's Tina of Stray's, Blue f, STRay. Best Gr Ch—Craz-E Baron OE Wh m, Craze; OS—Miss Bob White, BE Wh f, Ripny. OS Ch—Van Lou

Bearline, BP MBSia f, Vanderpool, Best Open; OS Sil—Sabbatical of Sheramain, BP m, MCPNashia f, OS Open, Sil FSH; Best Mice, T&T—Glen Orr's Laxer, Tortie f, Carlson, Best Sil—Silver King of Oconomowoc, Chin m, Stinson, OS Cr&Z-E Silver Sequin of Pom-Purr, SS f, McFadyen, OS T&T, Mx—Glen Orr's Olof of Manx, RT m, Carlson, Best Sia—Sheramain's Mimosa, OS Burm—Mona Lisa of Koscaak, f, Koscaak, SF, Best Cat—Jasmine of Sideside, SP MBSia, London, Spay—Kittyz Buchti, Entries—1985 Exhibitors: 60

Blue, Spray; Spay—Milady Catherine, RT, Bowers.

**LONGHAIR SPECIALTY**

J. J. Small, Jr., Best Cat, Open, Sil—Silver King of Oconomowoc, 2nd Best Cat; Best Ch, SC—Pretty Kitty's Marty Cr m Brown, OS Cat, Open, Best Ch, SC—Adrienne of Goshawk, f, Diefendorf, Best G, Ch, SC—Miss Bob White; OS—Crazy E Baron, OS Ch, Best Cat, Open, Best Ch, Coral Mist, BC f, Brown, Best Nov—Gorgeous Jo-Jo of Su-Ju, Blue m, Burrows; OS—Wilmar Bonnie, Cr f, Lowener, OS Sil—Took Kee Pooch Kiki, f, Lowener, OS F&H—Patsy of Pookah, f, Patsy, Best Flter f, RT m, Franing, Best Kit—Silver King, Skippy of Comet, Chin m, Stimson, OS—Vi-Jon Sweet Gretta of Pretty Kitty, Blue f, Brown, Best Nester—Mambo Joe Khuyo; Spay—Arlane's Dinah, Blk, Taylor, **SHORTHAIR**—Sheramain's Mimosa, OS Nov; Best Bur—Sheramain's Conquistador, Best Open—Case's Titus, CP Sia m Case; OS—Koscaak's Choco Desiree of Case, Best H&T—Eck's OS—Dancion, OS Nov; Best Cat—F&T—Cee Phoenix Wolfgang, BP m, Wolfgang, OS DSH—Jackie, Best Mat—Glen Orr's Laxey; OS—Glen Orr's Olof of Manx, OS Aby—USA's Starboard, OS Burm—Mona Lisa of Koscaak, f, Koscaak, SF, Best Cat—Glen Orr's Feveril of Manx, RT m, Carlson, Best Sil—Silver King of Oconomowoc, Chin m, Stinson, Sideside, SP MBSia, London, Spay—Kittyz Buchti, Entries—1985 Exhibitors: 60

**THE SIAMENAE AT SOCIETY OF CALIFORNIA (UCF), 7th Ch Show,**  
South Pasadena, Calif., Oct. 25, 1959. **ALL BREED SHORTHAIR—**  
**Mrs. Fredrick Hokin.** Best Cat, Gr Ch, FSH, Sia.—Fan-T-Cee Kabar Kenny,  
BP m, Galvin; 2nd Best Cat; Best Open—Sunny Slope's Humburg of Judo.  
BP m, Sia m, Berger. OS Cat, FSII; Best Ch—Ocean View Blue Paisley, Bo  
m, Sia m, Moonlight Dimmer. OS Nov.—Hi-Tai's Black Magic.  
Du-Bu Faith of Domaineau, SP Sia f, Warfel. OS Nov. Aby.—Beaver's Zam-  
Rah of Shandoa, m, Burleigh. OS Open; Best RB—Hoeller's Lt. Kije, f,  
Hoeller. Best DSH—Star Sapphire's Cayo, BE Wh f, Rogers; OS—Ukon's  
Cochise, BE Wh m, Rogers. Best M—Hia-Hia Man Colette, Blk f, Straight; OS  
Vineyard Vixen, BE Wh f, Sia m, Mattson. Best RB—Joli-E! Toro, m, Ott;  
OS—Joli Li Singh, f, Ott. Best Kit—Pitti-Pat's Tiger Lily, Aby f, Bristol;  
OS—Dark Gauntlets Demitasse, BP Sia m, Gosling. Best Neuter—Hi-Tai's  
Black Magic, Sia m, Lyndek; Spay—Quinn's Umber, Havana Brn, Elier.  
**KABAR KENNY.** 2nd Best Cat; Best Open—Sunny Slope's Humburg of Judo.  
OS Cat, Open; Best Nov—Du-Bu Faith of Domaineau. Best Ch—Fan-T-Cee's  
Enchantress, SP f, Galvin; OS Moonlight Dimmer. OS Nov—Hi-Tai's  
Ko Kid, BP m, Lyndek. Best Kit—Rendara's Dreamboat, SP m, Lyndek;  
OS—Star Dams, BP m, Krebs. Best Nov—Hi-Tai's Black Magic.  
Spay—Mocha, SP m, Winans. Entries: 172; Exhibitors: 82.

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**NORTH SHORE CAT CLUB (CFA), 13th Ch Show, Chicago, Ill., Oct.**  
**31-Nov. 1, 1959. ALL BREED—**Kav McQuillen, Best Cat, Nov. LH, OS  
 ♀—Shawnee Moonlight, O/E Wh m, Horner, OS Gr Ch—Vanessa, OS Gr Ch  
 ♂—Pekoe, Cr m, Bloem, OS Gr Ch—LH, OS Gr Ch—Sylvania, OS Gr Ch  
 ♂—Blair, Bloem, Bt m, Abby—Selene's Valente of Willowae, m, ix  
 OS Gr Ch Sia—Laurentide Solitaire, Imp. of Madal, Pf r, Christy, Best Cat  
 ♂—Bloemhill Shurlock, Blue m, Bloem, OS Abby—TSAF's Starboard, OS  
 ♂—Rita, Scott, OS Gr Ch—Holly, OS Gr Ch—Hornet, OS Gr Ch  
 Arlane's Timothy Jo, Smk m, Taylor, OS SIL DSH—Lila Gal of With  
 Blite of Madall, ST f, Christy, OS T&T—Shawnee Godiva, RT f, Horner  
 Best T&T, SIL FSIL, Mx—Glen Orr's Olof of Manx, RT m, Carlson, OS  
 ♂—Rita, Scott, OS Gr Ch—Sylvia, OS Gr Ch—Sylvia, OS Gr Ch  
 Sundust's Willanita Willopus, SP m, De Filippo, Best DSH—Solon Red  
 Emburr, RT m, Miller, OS Mx—Borow Dellian of Ri-Bo, BT f, Beckett  
 OS Bur—KoKoto of Elyria, n, Slauter, Best KIL—Bu, BT f, Stach  
 OS Bur—Scott Os, OS Sil, OS Sil, OS Sil, FF f, Snyder, Best Neut  
 Caesar of Canterbury, SS, Hall: Spay—Arynn Melody of Wishing Wel, Red  
 Brant, OS Gr Ch—Blue Ace Fancee, Blue f, Scott, Best Gr Ch—Shawnee Moon  
**LONGHAIR SPECIALTY—Frances Herms,** Best Cat, Open, OS  
 ♂—Pekoe, H, OS Gr Ch—Shawnee Moonflower, O/E Wh f, Horner, OS Gr Ch—Jan's Lil Davy, Rik m, McClelland  
 OS Open—Blue Ace Echo of Missz, Blue f, Scott, OS Nov—Shawnee Sear  
 ♂—Scott, OS Gr Ch—Sylvia, OS Gr Ch—Sylvia, OS Gr Ch—Sylvia, OS Gr Ch  
 Best Neuter—Caesar of Canterbury: Spay—Arynn Melody of Wishing Wel  
 (Best & OS SIL, Best & OS T&T, Not given.)  
**SHORTHAIR SPECIALTY—Doreen O'Neil,** Best Cat, Open, OS  
 ♂—Pekoe, H, OS Gr Ch—Shawnee Moonflower, O/E Wh f, Horner, OS Gr Ch—Jan's Lil Davy, Rik m, McClelland  
 McKendree, Best 2nd Best Cat, Bu—Tweda Chocolate Shia-Do, OS Cat  
 FSH, Sia, Open—Sundust's Willanita Willopus, Best Gr Ch—Ven Oriental  
 Boy of Dalai, SP Sia m, Daly, OS—Laurentide Solitaire, Imp. of Madal  
 ♂—Indigo, RT m, Scott, OS Gr Ch—Sylvia, OS Gr Ch—Sylvia, OS Gr Ch  
 Sia f, Hamling, Best Neuter—Glen Orr's Olof of Manx: OS, Blue Grass  
 Tunica, Abby f, Combs, Best DSH—My-Lo's Silver Sparrow, ST f, Lockrey  
 OS—Solon Red Emburr, Best Mx—Dwende's Blue Amour, Blue m, Beaty  
 OS—Ron Dan Dancer, RT m, Scott, OS Gr Ch—Sylvia, OS Gr Ch—Sylvia, OS Gr Ch  
 OS—Kalyan Amber of Kon Ke, f, Slauter, OS Bur—KoKoto of Elyria  
 Best KIL—Flo-Mar's Silver Dust, OS—My-Lo's Tweeze, CP Sia m, Lockrey  
 Best Neuter—Le Duc Tigre, SF Beatty, Spay Ups'n Downa Jah-Dan  
 ♂—Downa Tigre, SF Beatty, Spay Ups'n Downa Jah-Dan

**EASTERN CAT FANCIERS (AOA), 6th Ch Show, Philadelphia, Pa.**

**Sept. 26, 1959. ALL BREED—Ruth Lantz.** Best Cat, Open, SH, FSH, SC, Bur—Tinghai Sugar Ray, m. Leopold. 2nd Best Cat: OS Cat: Best Cat: LH, Sil—Bellham's Heather Bell, Chin f, Bellham. OS Ch: Best T&T—Rio's Top Brass of McKinley Park, BP m, Fouque. Best Nov: OS LH—Castilla Bit O' Honey of Rowaway, Cr m, Thompson. OS Nov—Raintree Jadu, BP Sil f, Foster & Osborn. OS Open—Minqua's Juniata, Blue f, Martinke. OS, SC, Bur—HRH Martin Psyche, f, Garvin. OS Sil—Silver Dawn's Bobbie, SS m, Citeroni. OS T&T—Minqua's Indianola, BG f, Martinke. Best Sila—Chi Charoen Moonshine, BP f, German. OS SH, FSH, Best Aby—Calpusa Delire, f, Herz. OS Sila—Wu Lisa of Green Lane, SP f, Naugle. Best DSH—Fa-Chi-Choi, Bettina, BP f, Passalacqua-Christian. OS—Luddy's Silver Tex, ST m, Luddy. Best Mx—Wila-Bille Zenith, Odd-Eyed Wh f, Bannon. OS—Tra-Mara's Jubilee of Bon Chat, Bk m, Heatherly. OS Aby—Blue Grass Trachymene, m, McDonald. Best Kit—Roger's Fun-Tol, BP Sil m, Roger. OS—Kingshill Betsy Ross, Smk f, Green. Best Neuter—Sari's Silver Beau-Su, SS, Beaver; Spay—Pat-An De De, CP, Green. **LONGHAIR SPECIALTY—Jasper Jones.** Best Cat, Open, SC—Minqua's Juniata, 2nd Best Cat: Best Ch—Kewadin Wapita, Red f, Salmon. OS Cat, Open, SC—Bean Ridge Philo, OE Wh m, Spielberg. OS Ch, T&T—Elo's Top Brass of McKinley Park. Best Nov—Willowood Feather of Minqua, Cr f, Martinke; OS—Minqua's Limerick, Red m, Martinke. Best Sil—Bellham's Heather Bell; OS—Silver Dawn's Bobbie. Best T&T—Minqua's Indianola. Best Kit—Stony Brook Guy-Lum, Cr m, Mayer; OS—Vauxhall Von of Kingshill, Tortie f, Vanderleeden. Best Neuter—Gallahad White Hyacinth, Wh, Citeroni; Spay—My Fair Lady Puff, SS, Davidson. **SHORTHAIR SPECIALTY—Mrs. G. G. Larn.** Best Cat, Open, FSH, Sila—Chi Charoen Moonshine, 2nd Best Cat—Millbrook's Fa-Lee of Bulch, SP m, Leopold. OS Cat, FSH; Best Nov, M. SC—Wila-Bille Zenith. Best Ch: OS M—Tra-Mara's Jubilee of Bon Chat, OS Ch, SH, DSH—Jaynar's Tinker Belle, BE Wh f, Crono. OS Nov—Cymri Calypso, Bur m, Pedulla. OS Open—Burr-HRH Martin Psyche. OS SC, Best DSH—Miss Hogan's George, Blue m, Carnahan. OS Sila—Tandit Kan-Dee of Cymri, CP f, Pedulla. Best Aby—Calpusa Delire; OS—Blue Grass Trachymene. OS Bur—Tinghai Sugar Ray. Best Kit—Green Lane Danny, SP m, Naugle; OS—HRH Martin Psyche, Bur f, Garvin. Best Neuter—Jinky Snowcock, Bk DSH, Cornell; Spay—Smokey Tinkle May, Bk DSH, Moskovitz. **Entries: 211; Exhibitors: 113.**

**COLORADO CAT FANCIERS, INC. (ACFA), RM Show, Denver, Colo., Oct. 31-Nov. 1, 1959. ALL BREED—Helen Mueller.** Best Cat, Ch, LH, SC—Camber Sally of Rocky Mountain, Blue f, Hirsig. 2nd Best Cat: OS Cat: Best Gr Ch, SH, FSH, Bur—Casa Gatos Zoto of USAF, m, Brodie. OS Gr Ch, Best T&T—Venus Kee Kee, BG f, Slaven. OS Ch—Cruson's Golden Boy, Red m, Cruson. Best Nov—Navajo's Rendezvous, Tortie f, Shakespeare. OS—Popoki My-Me's Purbury O'Killarney, BP m, Kelly. Best Open: OS LH, SC—Chadhurst Sunshin of Rocky Mountain, Cr m, Hirsig. OS Open—Gallahad's Azize of Shain-Anhal, OS Wh f, Barberio. OS SH; Best DSH—Gray Horse Farm Merry-Aire, Bk f, Abt. Best Sila—Pierston's Zeuxia of Isa-Bel, CP m, Meyer. OS FSH, Sila—Isa-Bel's Miss Deliah O'Killarney, Best Aby—Samdurs Top Brass, m, Pallady. Best Kit—Gray Horse Farm Merry-Aire, SP f, Slaven. Best Neuter—Navajo's Copper Blaze, Red, Myrick & Shakespeare; Spay—Calamity Lil' of Denver, Tortie, Padgett. **LONGHAIR SPECIALTY—Helen Mueller.** Best Cat, Open, SC—Chastani Souiseite of Venus, Cr f, Slaven. 2nd Best Cat—Camber Betsybob of Rocky Mountain, Blue f, Hirsig. OS Cat, Open, SC—Gallahad's Azhar of Shah-An-Shah, Odd-Eyed Wh m, Barberio. OS Gr Ch, T&T—Minqua's Gingersnap of Co-Mc, m, Coughlin. Best Ch—Lynn of Woolman, Blue f, Woolman. OS—Gale Knoll Harry Lute, Jr., Blue m, Parrish. Best Nov, Sil—Mitai, SS f, Cruson. OS Nov—Redhaven's Caneel Boy, Bk m, Lang. Best Open—Minouli Briargate Camille, Bk f, Shelton. Best T&T—Rocky Mt. Mariposa of Verano, BG f, McKelvey. OS Sila—Lingah Fumajo of Denver, Smk m, Padgett (Lessee). Best Him—Hi-Hat Sootie Snoot, SP m, Beer; OS—Hi-Hat Miss Velvet Boots, SP f, Beer. Best Kit—Venus Pandora, Blue f, Bruce; OS—Venus Little Caesar, Cr m, Slaven. Best Neuter—Navajo's Copper Blaze; Spay—Calamity Lil' of Denver. **SHORTHAIR SPECIALTY—Evelyn King.** Best Cat, Ch, T&T, DSH—Gray Horse Farm Royal Gem, ST f, Abt. 2nd Best Cat: Best Nov, FSH, Sila—King's Blue Danah of Kip-Ling, BP f, Meyer. OS Cat, FSH, Sila; Best Open—Pomona's Gemini, FP m, Berry. Best Gr Ch: OS SC, Bur—Casa Gatos Zoto of USAF. OS Ch—Rogers Heights Houdini, SP m, Rogers. OS Nov—Isa-Bel's Chocolate Dancer Little King, CP m, Meyer. OS Open—Ming Ling Cui Tu of Gay-Mar, SP f, Harding. Best SC, Bur—Valhalla Salween of Chi Sai, OS T&T, DSH—Silver Dennis of Navajo, ST m, Myrick. Best Aby—Samdurs Top Brass. Best Kit—Isa-Bel's Mona Lisa; OS—Gray Horse Farm Museum Piece, ST m, Abt. Best Neuter—Isa-Bel's Samdurs, SP, Kelly; Spay—Kum Quat Blossom, BP, Frey. **Entries: 181; Exhibitors: 83.**

**AMERICAN NATIONAL CAT CLUB (ACFA), RM Show, Denver, Colo., Oct. 31-Nov. 1, 1959. ALL BREED—Mara Hanson.** Best Cat, Gr Ch, LH, SC—Camber Betsybob of Rocky Mountain, Blue f, Hirsig. 2nd Best Cat: Best Open—Minouli Briargate Camille, Bk f, Shelton. OS Cat: Best Ch, SH, FSH, Sila—Meru Giovanni, SP m, Dingwerth. OS Gr Ch: Best Bur—Casa Gatos Zoto of USAF, m, Brodie. OS Ch—Fan-Cee Fan of Tau of Harnell, SP f, Driscoll. Best Nov: OS Sila—Smokie Blue, BP f, Pallao. OS Nov, SC—Rocky Mountain Truman Blue, Blue m, Hirsig. OS Open—Rogers Heights Whatzit of USAF, SP m, Strong. OS LH; Best T&T—Minqua's Gingersnap of Co-Mc, BT m, Coughlin. Best Sil—Ningah Fumajo of Denver, Smk m, Padgett (Lessee). OS—Gar-La's Adoree of Co-Mc, Chin f, Coughlin. OS T&T—Venus Kee Kee, Blue Cr f, Slaven. OS SH; Best DSH—My-Lo's Quicksilver of Navajo, ST f, Myrick. OS FSH, Bur—Valhalla Salween of Chi Sai, f, Streetman. OS DSH—Silver Dennis of Navajo, ST m, Myrick. Best Aby—Bubu Baba of Pallady, m, Pallady. Best Him—Hi-Hat Sootie Snoot, SP m, Beer; OS—Hi-Hat Miss Velvet Boots, SP f, Beer. Best Kit—Venus Pandora, Blue f, Bruce; OS—Venus Little Caesar, Cr m, Slaven. Best Neuter—King Cedric, CP, Mercer; Spay—Epicure's Agnes of Rocky Mountain, Blue, Marsh. **Entries: 181; Exhibitors: 93.**

**SEATTLE CAT CLUB (ACA), 20th Show, Seattle, Wash., Oct. 31-Nov. 1, 1959. ALL BREED—Louise Price.** Best Cat, Ch, LH, SC—Royal Blue Crescendo, Blue m, McManus. 2nd Best Cat: Best Open, SH, FSH, Sila—wing's Cho-Ani of Elo-Yee, FP m, Magnan. OS Cat, Open, SH, FSH, Sila—Kreb's Labrin of Norpark, BP f, Norbeck & Park. Best Gr Ch—Royal Blue

Glory, Blue f, McManus; OS—Folly Blue Peter, RB m, Aaron. OS Ch, Best Mx—Gilmore's Reva, Bk f, Allison. Best Nov; OS SC—Klinkhammer's Gayla, OE Wh f, Klinkhammer. OS Nov—Shae-Nwah's Challenger of Elo-Yee, CP f, Magnan. OS LH, Sil—Alo's Connie Mae, SS f, Denend. Best Sil—Al-Jo's Silver Sir Rollo, Chin m, Denend. Best T&T—Driftwood's September Symphonette, BC f, Butterfield. Best DSH—Rio Casa's Othello of Golden Shadows, Bk m, Setzer; OS—Midnight Shadow of Golden Shadows, Bk f, Setzer. OS M—Xanthu's Nicholas, Bk m, Allison. Best Aby—Ring's Abi Abdel, m, Ring; OS—Ring's Abi Zelinda of Phil-Lori, f, Wohlgenuth. Best Bur—King's Burma Tu of Phil-Lori, f, Wohlgenuth; OS—Casa Gatos Moree de Beaver, m, Jones. Best RB—Folly Kato, m, Aaron; OS—Folly Katy, f, Aaron. Best Kit—Driftwood's Legacy, Blue f, Howard; OS—Chanthra Him Hee, CP m, Moon. Best Neuter—Montpellier Butterfield Teddy Bear, Butterfield; Spay—April Hill's Ginger Blossom, Pennington. **LONGHAIR SPECIALTY—Emma Grant.** Best Cat, Ch, SC—Royal Blue Crescendo. 2nd Best Cat: Best Open, Sil—Silver Dawn's Gerry, Chin m, Eckenburg. OS Cat, Nov, Sil—Al-Jo's Trenia Joy Adair, Chin f, Denend. Best Gr Ch—Royal Blue Glory. OS Ch—Royal Blue Shiri, Blue f, McManus. Best Nov—Klinkhammer's King Midas, BE Wh m, Klinkhammer. OS Open—Al-Jo's Connie Mae. OS SC—Klinkhammer's Button Nose, Blue f, Klinkhammer. Best T&T—Driftwood's September Symphonette. Best Kit—Driftwood's Legacy; OS—Blue Diamond's Darling, SS m, Haight. Best Neuter—Montpellier Butterfield Teddy Bear; Spay—April Hill's Ginger Blossom. **SHORTHAIR SPECIALTY—Emma Grant.** Best Cat, Open, FSH, Sila—Norpark's Matador of Whitney, SP m, Whitney's Cattery. 2nd Best Cat: Best Nov—Shae-Nwah's Challenger of Elo-Yee, OS Cat, Open, FSH, Sila—Krebs' Lanvin of Norpark. Best Gr Ch—Folly Blue Peter. Best Ch—Folly Nikki, BP m, Aaron. OS Ch; DSH—Midnight Shadow of Golden Shadows. OS Nov—Hara's Alouette, FP f, Haralampus. Best DSH—John of Pickwick, Bk m, Pickens. Best Mx—Xanthu's Nicholas; OS—Gilmore's Reva. Best Aby—Scene's Sabri of Ring's, m, Ring; OS—Ring's Abi Zelinda of Phil-Lori. Best Bur—Casa Gatos Moree de Beaver; OS—King's Burma Tu of Phil-Lori. Best RB—Folly Kato; OS—Folly Katy. Best Kit—Gilmore's Connetti. Tortie Mx f, Allison; OS—Blue Bluschie, BP m, Judd. Best Neuter—Tempura's Remben of Reno, Bennett; Spay—Yellow Rose of Texas, Conklin. **Entries: 192; Exhibitors: 80.**

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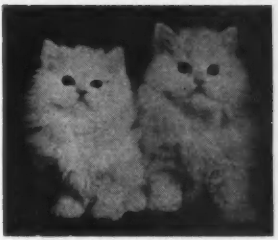
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## The Back Fence . . .

February is a wonderful month in which to be born, or so say the stars. Consider the greats who call this month theirs . . . Lincoln, Washington, William Henry Harrison, Charles Dickens, Edison, my favorite black cat . . . Snow. There is a small book called *Horoscopes for Pussy Cats* by Bootsie Campbell designed to tell your pet's nature as it is written by the zodiac. Felines who first see light of day in February are advised not to cry over spilled milk.

The Portland *Press Herald* had an article about a cat named Peter who must have been born under this sign.

Home to Peter is a Falmouth farmhouse with much land and many other cats. Mrs. Lewis Crocker, his owner, seemed to understand Peter's love of outdoors and never fussed when he preferred the fields and the elements over the warmth of the hearth and the comforts of the house.

Unfortunately, one day Peter tangled with a piece of farm machinery. It was then he realized what a home offered him. Dragging himself to the house, Peter found the help he needed. The veterinarian to whom he was taken saved his life, but at the cost of his front leg up to his shoulder joint.

Having never been a really dyed-in-the-wool house-cat, Peter gave everyone a hard time. He finally realized that he was going to have to accept the help and the love that was offered. Special treats to stimulate the appetite and much attention to create the will to survive, caused the transformation.

His most difficult rehabilitation problem was learning to wash. He would groan and cry after each meal. Eventually the words, "Go lie down, Peter," got through to him and it didn't take too long for him to learn to wash his face in a lying down position. Mrs. Lewis allows Peter to lick her hand and then rotates it on the side of his face which seems to be the hardest for him to get clean. It works fine.

It was a challenge fairly met. Peter is happy in his new life, and his family is so proud of him for not giving up and so glad they didn't even consider destroying him after his accident.

One little cat is not so happy and it is all because of a police dog.

The Miami, Florida, *News* reported the case of Blotter (feline who is so named because she likes to sit on the police blotter at headquarters) and Rip, the station dog.

Blotter recently gave birth to four little line-uppers. Once they began moving around, they were always in the way and generally under the feet of the big dog. Mother was nervous about this and using the grab-by-the-neck method moved them next door. Rip watched this with great interest.

The next time Blotter left her kittens, Rip picked them up (a la cat style) and moved them. Now life is sort of a perpetual cat hunt. Every time Blotter turns her back, the dog hides the kittens—in jail

cells, behind palm trees, in wastebaskets or wherever he thinks she won't discover them. This female should call for Dick Diamond.

Another case for a private eye was reported by William Hendrix in his *You and Your Animal* column.

Three chain grocery stores in Long Island made a policy of discarding meats, although still wholesome, but not in prime condition, to hungry cats in their area. It is in the part of the city that is going through a redevelopment stage and there are many abandoned animals running loose.

When these meats, chopped and placed outside of the stores, first appeared, the hungry creatures appeared by the dozens. One of the managers notices an old tom, who, although appearing starved, never lingered long enough to really fill up. He would grab a mouthful of food, disappear, return and grab another piece and run away. He would do this four or five times and then finally return to lick up the leftovers.

For three days the man watched . . . wondering if cats ever stored food as squirrels do for future need. He decided to follow the tough old guy and find out.

When tom grabbed the first mouthful and took off, the manager trailed him. Down into the cellar of an almost demolished building he followed the cat. There he found five live kittens and a dead mother cat. The old tom dropped the meat in the center of the ring of kittens and hurried back for their second course.

It's the kind of story that at first you question . . . then you remember some soft old "he" cat you knew and loved and you say to yourself, "Of course it could happen." Anything good and wonderful can happen when you have a cat.

In the *Importance of Living* by Lin Yutang, Chin Sheng'an, a Chinese philosopher, noted thirty-three happy moments and among them was the following:

"I am sitting alone in an empty room and I am getting annoyed at a mouse at the head of my bed and wondering what the little rustling sound signifies; what article of mine is he biting or what volume of my books is he eating up? While I am in this state of mind and don't know what to do, I suddenly see a ferocious-looking cat, wagging its tail and staring with its wide open eyes as if it were looking at something. I hold my breath and wait a moment, keeping perfectly still and suddenly, with a little sound the mouse disappears like a whiff of wind. Ah, is this not happiness?"

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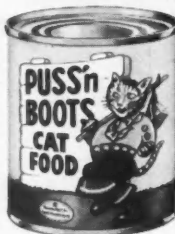
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